

Reservoir High School Music Boosters
General Meeting
May 11, 2009
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Rob Dice.

The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Anne Lee provided a treasurer's report. Some highlights are below (please see the report for details):

Payments received:

- \$1000.00 from Fiestaval for hosting a music festival at Reservoir on May 1st.
- \$1973.00 from ticket receipts from the Spring Concert on May 5th & 7th
- \$323.79 from concession at the Spring concerts

Expenses:

- \$1500.00 donation to After Prom
- Anticipate additional expense for awards given the large number of graduating seniors in the department
- Other expenses included:
 - Lunch for Outer Office to thank them for their generous contributions in printing programs, senior video picture book, posters, etc.
 - Fee to register the RHS Music Boosters as a charitable organization in MD

Balances: (see the Treasurer's report for the current balances.

Discussion on Howard County fees in Public School:

Matt Dubbs reported that we would no longer be able to collect fees from students for participation in the music department or for sheet music. We can collect fees for uniform rentals, dry cleaning, and the costs of chaperones. There will be more details coming out soon.

Awards Banquet:

The Music Awards banquet will be held on May 13th with the dinner to begin at 6:00 pm in the Atrium immediately followed by awards in the auditorium. Chris Mitchell reported that there were 300 people signed up for the dinner. Rob Dice reported that the senior video was completed, except for the directors' clips, and that the senior video picture books had been completed by Outer Office.

By-Law Amendment voting:

Rob Dice reviewed each proposed amendment change indicated below:

- Increase the number of officers on the board by one – a second Vice President
- Remove the specification the music booster meetings be held on the second Monday of the month
- Move the date of the budget approval from the May meeting until the September meeting

Each amendment was considered separately. All amendments were discussed, moved, and accepted by those present.

RHS Music Booster Officer Election:

Anne Lee presented the slate of nominations received by the nominating committee. Nominations from the floor were solicited and none were received. There were two nominations for President: Rob Dice and Jay Costenbader. Each was given a few minutes to discuss their backgrounds and views. A paper ballot was distributed and the vote was taken. The new board for the 2009/2010 school year:

President: Rob Dice

Vice President: Chris Mitchell

Vice President: June Pompei

Treasurer: David Shea

Secretary: David Meiners

Ways and Means Committee:

A fund raising meeting is schedule for Monday May 18th at 7:00 pm in the Music Department to discuss fund raising strategy and specific fund raiser suggestions for the board to consider in next year's budget.

5K Race—Greg Schuler

Greg stated that the final numbers weren't in but that the earning from this year's 5K would be about half of those from last year due mainly to the drop in cash sponsorships. Greg estimated we would earn approximately \$3000 - \$3500. Greg also stated that he had many positive comments again from the runners about the course, the food, and the student provided music. Maple Lawn representative Lydia Chandlee also felt the event was a huge success.

Car Washes—Leo Garcia

- The May 2 car wash was cancelled due to predicted poor weather
- The last car wash is schedule for June 6th.

Art Auction:

Rob Dice announced that the date for next year's Art Auction had been selected for April 3, 2010 but that it would have to change as that was Easter weekend.

Alumni email list:

It was explained that "graduating" parents who requested to be removed from the active RHS music booster email list were added to the "alumni" list which receives notices of upcoming events.

New Business:

John Lee raised two topics on behalf of another parent for the board to consider next year. The first topic involved beginning discussion with Greg Knauf and Jessica Binder about helping the drama department (at least the musicals) to develop a booster organization of their own or to somehow include support for drama within the Music Boosters. A large percentage of cast in the musicals are from the music department. The second topic was to consider ways to increase student participation from the whole school in supporting the musical and drama productions and the music concerts. This might include providing free greatly reduced tickets to certain events. There was considerable discussion and much interest in exploring both of these topics further.

Director Comments

Matt Dubbs and Greg Knauf thanked everyone for a great year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm